

## "COL." PERRY CARSON WON'T BE WATCHMAN

Old District Servitor Puts Up Problem With But One Answer.

"Col." Perry Carson has declined to serve as watchman in the new District building. Without making words, and with no warnings to soften the blow the "colonel" today notified the Commissioners to this effect. He did not submit his resignation. He informed them merely that he would not serve as watchman.

This determination on the part of the "colonel" presents a problem to the Commissioners. If he will not serve as watchman, the position to which he was appointed, and does not resign, there appears to be but one solution, and that is to separate him from the pay roll, which action the Commissioners have not as yet decided upon.

Was Disappointed. The "colonel" it is said, is disappointed at not receiving the position of captain of the watch, to which is attached a salary of \$1,200. The Commissioners asked but \$1,000 for this position, but a generous Congress added \$200.

It was intimated at the time that this was due to activity on the part of the "colonel's" friends, he being a prominent politician, but a mistake was made in not bringing the proper influence to bear on Capt. William Kelly and Edwin Markham, Assistant Engineer Commissioners, who, as superintendents of the new building, named the incumbent.

Another Got Job. The position was given to J. J. Strain, and the "colonel" was reduced from \$75 a month as janitor of the old District building to \$50 a month as watchman in the new. When he felt aggrieved, Commissioner Macfarland expressed regret today upon learning of the "colonel's" decision, adding that he had for years been a faithful servitor of the District.

## TAFT CRITICISED BY LABOR MEN

Indorsement of Bryan Also Opposed in Central Union.

The Central Labor Union, at its regular meeting last night, entered into a spirited discussion of a resolution criticizing the action of William H. Taft, the Republican nominee for President, in awarding the contract for the manufacture of uniforms for American soldiers to an English concern employing coolie labor.

In an address by Sam DeNedrey, the speaker objected to the adoption of a resolution pitting the Central body on record as opposing Taft, and indorsing Bryan and his policies. DeNedrey said that the organization should await final instructions from the executive council of the American Federation before putting itself on record as favoring any one candidate.

John Brinkman came out strong for the indorsement of the DeNedrey platform. "The Republican party," said he, "has refused to grant labor any relief, or to incorporate its platform any promise of relief from the unjust conditions that have been rendered possible by the Federal courts, but instead has turned a deaf ear to all our appeals for justice."

## FRENCH MAY DROP GRAND PRIX RACE

PARIS, July 21.—At a regular meeting of the sporting committee of the Auto Club of France here yesterday a proposition was informally discussed to abandon the Grand Prix, as advocated by Marquis de Dion, president of the club, and his friends, on the ground that a contest for specially constructed racing machines, with the almost inevitable attendant accidents and loss of life, was not justified from the standpoint of either sport or as a test of the merits of machines manufactured for the public. A decision was postponed until the September meeting.

The preponderance of sentiment at the meeting seemed strongly opposed to the abandonment of the blue ribbon of the automobile world until the French have an opportunity to retrieve the disastrous defeat of July 7, when the event was won by a German car.

## Amateur Leagues Yesterday's Results.

Departmental League—Treasury, 6; Interstate Commerce, 4; Postoffice, 5; Commerce and Labor, 4. The Elipse. Capital City League—Government Printing Office, 9; Brentwood, 7; Capital City Park. Sunday School League—Grace, 6; Fifth, 6; Sixth and D streets northeast. Commercial League—G. E. Howard Company, 10; W. B. Sons, 1. Eighth street and Florida avenue northeast. Marquette League—Marines, 12; Turner A. C., 3; Thirteenth and D streets northeast. Independence League—Twining, 5; Wallace, 5; McDevitt's Field. Columbia League—Congressional, 9; Cardinals, 0 (forfeited). First and W streets northwest. R. Y. M. C. A. League—Tramway, 19; Union Station, 6. Fifth street and Florida avenue northeast. Commerce and Labor League—Appointment Division, 17; Lighthouse Board, 15. Monument lot.

## Today's Games

Departmental League—War vs. Navy; Agriculture vs. Interior, Elipse. Capital City League—Bloomington vs. Columbia A. C. Capital City Park. Sunday School League—Bethany vs. First, Sixth and D streets northeast. Marquette League—St. Joseph vs. Vigilants, Thirteenth and D streets northeast. Commercial League—T. J. Murphy Company vs. William Hahn & Co., Eighth street and Florida avenue northeast. Independence League—Gurley A. C. vs. Advent A. C. McDevitt's Field. Columbia League—Independents vs. Eckington, First and W streets northwest. R. Y. M. C. A. League—B. & O. vs. Shophen, Fifth street and Florida avenue northeast. Commerce and Labor League—Bureau of Standards vs. Census Bureau, Cleveland Park.

## AMERICAN STARS IN OLYMPIC GAMES

NATHAN J. CARTMELL, University of Pennsylvania, who Won Heat in 200-Meter Race Today.

LAWSON ROBERTSON, Of the Irish-American Team.



## TWO NEW RECORDS AT OLYMPIC GAMES

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fourth heat of the 400-meter run in 2:55 seconds.

In the 200-meter dash, five Yankees and five Britishers qualified, while Canada, Norway, Hungary, Sweden, and France each got one man through for the finals.

The surprise from a British standpoint was the defeat of Morton, the English champion, by D. R. Sherman, the Dartmouth College sprinter. The most exciting heat was between May, of the United States, and Kerr, of Canada, which the latter won in the fast time of 22 1/4 seconds, the best mark of the qualifying heats. Kerr won by a step, and both men were cheered at the conclusion of the grueling contest.

J. C. Atlee, of Princeton University, failed to show up for the sixth heat, but Cloughen, a Yankee, won the heat anyway, so the absence of the fast college lad was not so serious. Lawrence Robertson, of the Irish-American Club team, of New York, was looked upon as a winner in his heat, but he had to give way to Kocho, the speedy Britisher. The semi-finals in the event will be run Wednesday and the final Thursday. In the meantime, Trainer Mike Murphy will guard the Yankee quintet like a casket of jewels.

English Caesar Yankees. Gameness of the athletes from the United States in the Olympic games, their prowess and manly conduct in the face of adverse rulings and conditions, have at last won the slow yielding admiration of the British, and today the Yankee athletes were cheered by the English whenever they entered or left the stadium.

The attitude of the British shows a complete "reversal of form." Heretofore when a Yankee beat an Englishman, one might have thought the King had died from the gloom that settled over the British section; but today, when W. W. May, the University of Illinois athlete, lost his heat in the 200-meter race to Kerr, the Canadian, after a magnificent struggle, the Britishers got right up and gave the vanquished lad a mighty cheer.

It was the same, too, when Yankees won. The change that has come over the English is being commented on by all the visiting teams. It looks as though England tired of the ridicule of other nations and were making a tremendous effort to show the world that she can accept a defeat without having to go to bed.

## RACE OF 1,000 MILES ENDS IN CHICAGO

Y. M. C. A. Runner Dashes Up to City Hall With McClellan's Message.

CHICAGO, July 21.—The last relay runner in the 1,000-mile Y. M. C. A. race from New York to Chicago sped up to the La Salle street entrance of the city hall at 9:35 o'clock today, and handed to the assembled city officials the message from Mayor McClellan, of New York, to Mayor Busse, of Chicago.

This clipped nearly twelve hours off the schedule, which had called for the finish of the great race at 9:30 o'clock tonight. William McCabe, of the Evanston Y. M. C. A., was the last runner who made the sprint of two blocks from Monroe and LaSalle streets to the city hall, bearing the silver tube containing the message.

A ringing cheer went up as he dashed up to the city hall, where Vernon L. Bean, acting secretary to Mayor Busse, received him on behalf of the mayor. Chief of Police Shippy and other officials were also present in the committee.

The last section of the race, from Washington Park to the city hall, was made in half an hour, the men sprinting desperately, in short relays, and urged on by continuous cheering. The police cleared Jackson boulevard and La Salle street up to the city hall and a huge crowd broke into enthusiastic cheers at the sight of the runners.

The total time for the race was 219 hours 35 minutes and 20 seconds. The race started Wednesday at 10 a. m., from New York and the runners observed Sunday, stopping the race at midnight Saturday night and taking it up again at 6 o'clock of Monday.

The boys traveled approximately 1,000 miles, making a speed of approximately eight and one-half miles an hour. In view of the heavy roads and storms they encountered in the middle and the latter part of the journey, the time is considered remarkable.

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## COMMON SEAWEED HAS MANY USES

The young person from the city who will wander along the seashore will find it difficult to realize that everything is created for a good purpose while contemplating seaweed. Its only purpose seems to be to cumber up the beach and tangle up the legs of the bathers in the surf. The ordinary city visitor would not give a cent a ton for the stuff.

But it has its uses—not one, but many. In the first place, there are about 500 species of seaweed, some growing to a length of 1,500 feet, while others are no more than a few inches long and are so scarce as to be scarcely visible, and all species have a distinct value.

One of the most important, perhaps, is the production of iodine. Nearly all seaweed contains this medicinal substance in considerable quantities in addition to several others. Twenty tons of seaweed dried and burned at a low heat yield one ton of "kelp"—a hard, dark gray or bluish mass, with an acrid, caustic taste.

A ton of good kelp in turn will yield eight pounds of iodine, large quantities of chloride of potassium, four to ten gallons of volatile oil, four to fifteen gallons of paraffin oil, three to four gallons of naphtha, and from 150 to 400 pounds of sulphate of ammonia.

To the farmer seaweed is very valuable, because it contains soda. Spread upon the ground and allowed to decay, it enriches the earth to a remarkable extent. On many parts of the seacoast, seaweed is the only fertilizer used, and answers every purpose.

Seaweed is also edible—that is, certain kinds, such as dulse, tangle, and some species of sargassum. None of this edible seaweed is found on our coasts, however. It contains large quantities of gelatinous matter, and is said to be both nourishing and appetizing, although the salt fish taste is repulsive to a great many people.

To the botanist, seaweed is a constant source of delightful study, and the various species, under a powerful microscope, reveal many interesting and sometimes startling phases of plant life. On the seashore it is not necessary to hunt for specimens; they present themselves without any trouble, and deserve better treatment than to be passed by in silent contempt. Then, when the coasts are exhausted, the seaweed student may take a trip to the Azores, and examine the Sargasso Sea—a sea of weeds 200,000 square miles in area.

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## KAISER MAY RACE FOR YACHT CUP

KIEL, July 21.—The Emperor of Germany at various times in the last eighteen months has talked over with yachtmen the feasibility of challenging for the America's Cup.

The Emperor has mentioned the subject to visiting American yachtmen and to members of his suite, and he would regard the winning of the cup, if a competition could be arranged, as a great feat of yachtmanship, and as likely to stimulate German enthusiasm in the sport and indirectly advance national pride in things related to the sea.

The Emperor recently commissioned Max Oertz, of Hamburg, to design a large racing schooner to replace the American built Meteor, now six years old. Herr Oertz is considered the best yacht designer in Germany. Some of his Sonderklasse boats beat those of the Eastern Yacht Club in 1907, and his Germania, which has about the same measurement as the Meteor, and which is owned by Lieutenant Krupp von Bollen and Halbach, did well during the last races at Kiel. The Germania, in the opinion of some critics, is capable of beating the Meteor when her crew has been trained. On two occasions in June the Germania in a race with the Meteor took a good lead at the start and then dropped behind, this being due, it was thought, to lack of skill in handling.

If the Emperor's new yacht comes up to expectations next June, it is not unlikely that the Emperor will send to the New York Yacht Club a challenge for the America's Cup. This, however, depends almost entirely upon the performance of the new boat.

## MUSEMENTS.

8:15 Tonight NEW NATIONAL 25c 50c 75c The ONLY Washington Theater Open. Mats. Wednesday and Saturday at 2:15. ABORN OPERA CO. in BOHEMIAN GIRL 100th Performance Wednesday Handsome Souvenirs 100th Next Week—"The Fortune Teller." It

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## MUSIC ANTEDATES WRITTEN HISTORY

Earliest Songs in European Countries Often Composed for Big Celebrations.

"Sumer Is Ic Cumen In," is the oldest song in the English language since our mother tongue assumed the form in which we speak it today. It recalls the fact that most peoples have songs which antedate their written history. In many cases these were composed by singers or musicians now unknown, and not infrequently to celebrate a national exploit or disaster. For instance, the Servians had a ballad, "Tsar Lazar," which took its name from that of their great leader, and commemorated the famous battle of Kossova in 1389, when the Serbian army was totally destroyed and Servian independence was lost. To this day the Servians wear round their caps a narrow black band in mourning for the awful defeat at Kossova. By a strange coincidence, the Hungarians, too, had a national ballad to commemorate their defeat in 1446 by Sultan Murad II, the battle occurring in the valley of Kossova, and the two armies occupying the same positions held in the former conflict.

Earliest Welsh Song. The earliest Welsh song, "Morva Rhuddlan" ("Ruddian Marsh"), also commemorates a great national disaster, a battle of that name, A. D. 735. The Welsh were defeated by the Saxons in a fearful slaughter. Caradoc was killed, all prisoners taken by the Saxons were massacred and the remnants of the Welsh army were drowned in the marsh. Caradoc's bard escaped, and upon reaching the mountain stronghold of his dead master, immediately composed the words and melody, both preserved to the present day. Another Welsh song of almost equal antiquity, "Davydd y Garreg Wen" (David of the White Rock), is said to have been the work of a very old bard, who, feeling himself to be dying, called for his harp and composed the song and tune for his own funeral.

First French Song. The oldest French songs are said to be "L'homme Arme" and "Robin M'aimé," "The Armed Man" and "Robin Loves Me." These, like most of the early songs of central and southern Europe, are believed to be the composition of the troubadours, who furnished the greater part of the music sung in Europe for 300 or 350 years. They were what we would call "musical tramps," wandering from court to court, attending weddings, fetes, and festivals. "L'homme Arme" became so famous that it traveled all over France, Spain, Italy, and was so well known that it was claimed as a native tune by half a dozen different nationalities. It probably antedated the eleventh century, and in the course of time even worked its way into the services of the church, for Palestrina used it as a subject of a fugue in one of his masses. There are, however, so many songs attributed to the early troubadours and trouvères that the claims of the two mentioned are sometimes contested in favor of others not so well known.

The singing contests of the Germans were a popular feature before the nation had a written history. The Minne-singers were the German troubadours, and the songs they composed were so numerous that it is quite impossible to say which were the most ancient. As early as the ninth century cities became noted for their musical societies, and in the twelfth or early thirteenth began the great contests on the Wartburg. In the German medieval manuscripts are 4,000 of songs by Minne-singers and Meistersingers, and many of these melodies harmonized at the

## AGAIN ABANDON HOPE FOR BISHOP POTTER

Aged Prelate Suffers Relapse After Second Heat Prostration.

Family Summoned. COOPERSTOWN, N. Y., July 21.—Bishop Henry C. Potter had a relapse, and hope for his recovery has been abandoned. He had been doing well for a week, and his physicians were greatly encouraged, but last Tuesday he again was prostrated by the heat.

Early today he was resting comfortably, but Dr. Edmond Janvrin and several nurses are in constant attendance. Dr. J. E. Janvrin and Dr. M. I. Bassett also are with the patient, though only Dr. Edmond Janvrin remained at the bedside throughout the night.

Bishop Potter's son, Alonzo Potter, again has been summoned to Cooperstown. Throughout the illness of the bishop oxygen has occasionally been administered, but the quantity is now greatly increased. The condition of the bishop is such that the circulation is seriously hindered. Both of the lower limbs are affected, one of them having been rendered useless.

time show traces not only of genius in composition, but of much musical learning. The Meistersinger contests were often held in churches, and such was the eagerness to listen to them that on one occasion all the windows of a church in Thuringia were broken by men, who climbed ladders in their anxiety to miss nothing of the contest going on within.

Italian Chansons. Italy, like Germany, was proficient in music at so early a day that no date can be fixed for the earliest songs. Though "Le Son Tie Fanciolle" is about a hundred more date from the eleventh century. Long before this, however, some of the love songs of the Latin poets, Catullus and Tibullus, had been translated into the Italian of the day, and were sung by the beggars of Naples and by the Calabrians in their mountain villages. One of the earliest of the Calabrian songs tells of the devotion of a lover to his mistress. For her sake he is willing to blow out the everblazing Stromboli, if she refuses him to de-dare his life in jumping into the crater of Aetna.

Several of the first recorded national songs and hymns, compositions of devotional or religious character, as those of the Chinese, Assyrians, Egyptians, and Hebrews. The earliest known Portuguese song is a hymn, "O Sao Paulo" sung on the feast of John the Baptist. The Hungarians had a hymn to St. Stephen, ascribed by some to be older than the "Kossova Lament," while the Russians had "The Khorvud," at first religious, later used as a dance tune. The first Scandinavian melody was set to the words of a poem describing the fight of Sigurd with the dragon, while one of the earliest of which really national air in Bohemia, was the "War Song of the Hussites." The dancing Poles originated the "Polones" and "Mazurka," the melodies and forms of these ancient dances being immortalized by Chopin.

The Irish Ballad. In Ireland music was of as ancient a date as in Wales, and some writers on the subject claim that certain melodies of the bards antedate the Christian era. In Queen Elizabeth's Virginal book, still preserved, were three Irish tunes, "Ochone," "Irish Dumps," and "Callio Cauterane." The pages on which these tunes are printed are well thumbed and dirty, showing that the virgin queen was particularly fond of the Irish melodies. Older than these, however, is "Colleen Dhas," to which Moore wrote "The Valley Lay Smiling." The harp of Ireland was as melodious as that of Wales, and the earliest Irish songs are about equally divided between love and war—Exchange.

## LEARN THIS TODAY.

The only people who really enjoy rising early are those who don't have to. —The Corn-Fed Philosopher.

## SCORES UNCHANGED IN GLIDDEN TOUR

Looks Like Tie—Cars With Perfect Records in as Good Condition as at Start.

PORTLAND, Me., July 21.—There remain but 65 miles of the Glidden tour to be covered, and it looks as though unless some unforeseen accident happens now that the tour will result in a tie; in the event of this the tour will continue on from Saratoga Springs to Buffalo and then over the entire route again.

It has about resolved itself into an endurance contest between the drivers and not the cars, as the cars which now have perfect scores are virtually in the same condition as when the tour began. The Oldsmobile and Thomas cars continue their good work, as do the Pierce, Peerless, and Studebakers. The Premier, Stoddard-Dayton, and Pierce cars, entered for the Howe trophy, are keeping up their great work.

Day by day the five Pierce Great Arrow cars, entered by Charles Clifton, J. M. Maguire, and Robert D. Garden, shift out to the front and secure positions in line back of the pacemaker, Chairman Hoover, who also drives a Great Arrow.

The score remains the same as when the cars checked in at Boston on Friday. The run today to Bangsley lakes will be 141 7/10 miles, the time being 7 hours and 20 minutes. The route leads through Auburn, Lewiston, Augusta, and Farmington, and considerable of the distance will be through the White Mountains.

## ROUSING OVATION FOR JIMMY BRITT

American Willing to Meet English Lightweight Champ for Suitable Purse.

LONDON, July 21.—One of the best known persons in London just now is "Jimmy" Britt, a California lightweight boxer.

He arrived a few days ago to make an extended European tour, and will combine business with pleasure by giving a few exhibitions in music halls both in England and on the Continent. Few people know that Britt was educated to be a lawyer and is a member of the bar.

"I am now twenty-eight years old," said he yesterday, "and, as very few men should attempt to fight after they are thirty, I propose to give up the ring in a year or so and practice law as an occupation."

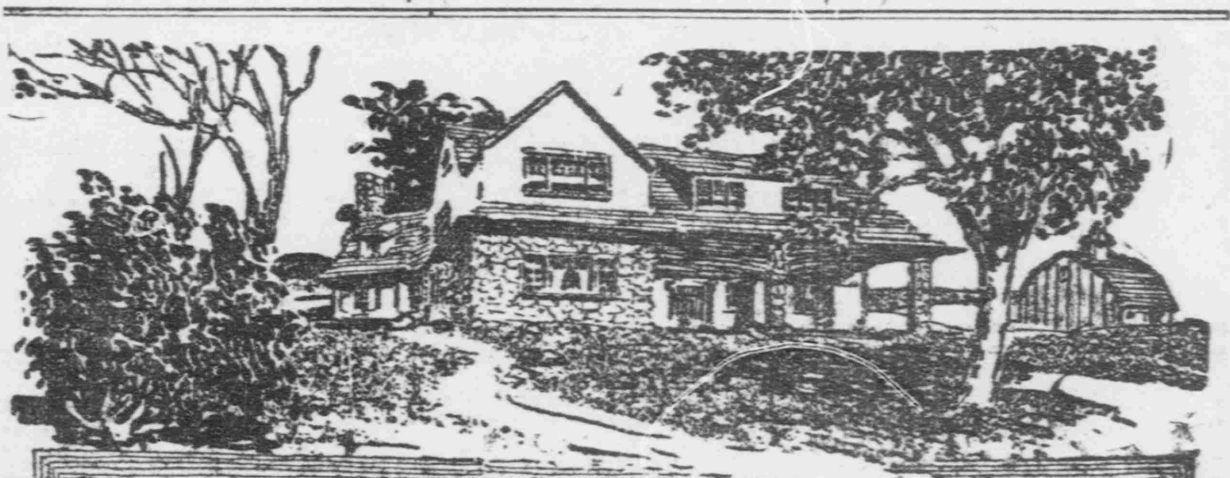
Britt attended a boxing match in the east end on Saturday night. When those present learned who he was they went wild with enthusiasm and insisted that he should make a speech, which he did very neatly. In it he offered to meet the lightweight champion of England or the world, if the purse was sufficient.

## BURKE IS MATCHED WITH BILLY PAPKE

NEW YORK, July 21.—Billy Papke and Sailor Burke have been matched to meet at the Coliseum Athletic Club on July 27.

Billy Madden acted for Burke and Mr. Jones for Papke in arranging the match. Jones wired to Kewanee, telling Papke to start for New York at once, and the "Thunderbolt" will be here in time to get in a few days' work before the fight. It was rumored that Papke was matched to meet Willie Lewis, but Manager Jones knew nothing of the match, so it was a false report.

Burke and Papke are to weigh in at 155 pounds at 6 o'clock, a weight that will be easy for both men.



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